



Clark County Local Emergency Planning Committee

CLARK COUNTY FIRE ADMINISTRATION
EOC/EMS TRAINING ROOM 2ND FLOOR
575 E. FLAMINGO RD.
LAS VEGAS NV 89119

Wednesday, March 1, 2017
9:00 A.M.

DRAFT MINUTES

LEPC MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Steinbeck, Rachel Skidmore, Roger Haskins, Robert Hanks, Timothy O'Neil, Roy Michael, Irene Navis, Carolyn Levering, Kevin Nicholson, Richard Brenner, Craig Cooper, Carlito Rayos, Alexa Zust, Karen Donnahie, Lionel Hamilton, Wendy Pagan, Felix Acevedo, Tamara Williams, Brian Scroggins, Kash Christopher, John Hines, Mike Wilson, Dave Dahl, Tim Cook, Dan Berc, Bill Knipper, Lisa Hathcock, Carlton Parker, Sandy Seda

LEPC ALTERNATES PRESENT:

Jeremy Hynds, Steve Kramer, Paul Parker

LEPC MEMBERS ABSENT:

Ryan Turner, John Fudenberg, Jacqueline Reszatar, Phil Klevorick, Ronald Burog, Dave Miller, Tom Axtell, Glenn Closson, David Goss, Stephanie Lang, Ed Wilds, Stuart Turner, Brian Mitchell, Dale Alley, Dennis Wilson

I. Call to Order

John Steinbeck, LEPC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. on Wednesday, March 1, 2017

II. Roll Call

Misty Richardson called roll and noted that a quorum is present.

III. Public Comments

- There were no public comments.

IV. Comments from the Chair

- The Chair commented that we've had a very busy season, had a special LEPC meeting earlier in the month, which was forced because of some timing issues with the grants, is grateful to everybody that attended that meeting.
- The Chair introduced a guest here today from the SERC, Stephanie Parker, noted that she's here today to really try to work with us on improving our process on these grants, and that at 1:30 in this room today we will be having some training going on where questions can be asked to her regarding the grants process.
- The Chair recognized a couple new members, Tamara Williams from RTC and Brian Scroggins with the VOAD, thanked them for being here.
- Vice-Chair Rachel Skidmore added comments about the significant snowfall at both Kyle and Lee canyons, that could potentially be a threat to those residents, that they quickly mobilized the team, and avalanche experts were called in. She recognized that it was a fantastic group effort, and thanked the entities that assisted us with this important effort. The Chair added that the threat actually turned into a significant avalanche near Cathedral Rock, that any emergency that we have where we have no damage and no one gets hurt is an absolute success.

V. Approval of the November 2, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes And Approval of the February 6, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes

The Chair gave everybody a minute to review the minutes. The following action was taken:

Motion by Richard Brenner: To approve both sets of minutes.

Seconded by Sandy Seda

No further discussion, motion carried.

VI. Review and Approve \$2,480.00 to be included in the previously approved FY18 United We Stand grant application for outreach materials for the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department's "See Something, Say Something" campaign, increasing the total amount requested under this grant to the maximum of \$25,000

Vice-Chair Rachel Skidmore presented this item, stating that it was at the request of the Sheriff. She described the purpose and importance of the "See Something, Say Something" campaign and the sun shades that go in the black-and-whites, that have a logo and phone number so individuals can report suspicious activity to the 24-seven hotline. The Chair added that this is one of the few grants that this does fit into. The following action was taken:

Motion by Carolyn Levering: Motion to approve.

Seconded by Sandy Seda

No further discussion, motion carried.

VII. Southern Nevada Pipeline Coordinating Group

Dave Dahl, Kern River Gas Transmission Company, talked about how the coordinating group is accountable and finds great value in its outreach to this committee on an annual basis to do public liaison first responder training and orientation. There will be a training event in November which will include reviewing the pipeline operations in the community, the command process when there's an event, prevention and pipeline protection processes, and security. There was some discussion about VG-17 and our fuel supply and pipeline integrity.

VIII. National Disaster Medical System Federal Coordinating Center

Felix Acevedo, VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System, summarized how the center came to be and how community hospitals would take on patients in the event of a disaster, that aircraft would land at Nellis Air Force Base. He described how the bill for that service would be paid. He stated that they have a draft plan but that we need our community partners involved, that they have set an initial planning meeting for May 31st, 1:30 to 3:00, in this conference room, that he would like our EMS coordinators to attend. There were questions and discussion about further details.

No further discussion, motion carried.

IX. A. LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Plans Administration Subcommittee

Richard Brenner reported that they haven't met since our last meeting, that every year, we have to submit our plan to SERC for review, that the plan has been reviewed by a consultant for evaluation regarding other big cities like us. He stated that he and Irene Navis are working on getting a workshop together in the near future so that we can talk about that. Irene Navis added that they are working on finalizing a date for the workshop and the details with the consultant, and that they submitted their hazardous materials response plan on time and are working with the SERC on that, that they are on track for their next update.

b. Training Subcommittee

The Chair stated that the Chair position for this subcommittee is still vacant, so there's nothing to report.

c. Grants Subcommittee

Karen Taylor reported that they didn't have a Grants Subcommittee meeting. They held a special LEPC meeting on February 6th. All the SERC applications were submitted. The additional United We Stand grant application that was approved today will be combined with their two applications and will be submitted by Friday, the deadline date. The Chair thanked Karen for the work she does on all of these grants. Carlito Rayos from North Las Vegas thanked Karen for himself and Solome Barton.

d. Public Information Subcommittee

The Chair noted that there is a vacant chair. Misty Richardson reported that they revamped the brochure formerly brought in as an example from the state, it's specific to hazmat, that they're available, just get in touch with her. Also, the emergency managers have agreed to continue the effort of the southern Nevada community preparedness app, and in the future they'll be working on pushing out messaging on that app.

e. Legislative Subcommittee

Irene Navis reported that the Legislative Session started February 6th. She went over the passage milestones coming up. She summarized bills to watch that may have a direct impact on the work of the membership of this committee.

f. GIS Subcommittee

The Chair noted that Brian Bolduc is not here, that this committee did not meet. He commented on GIS, that particularly during the avalanche that we had, they're continuing to increase ability to use that tool, described how pictures taken were mapped very quickly, and then they were able to track notifications and evacuations. He thanked Brian Bolduc for doing that work and expressed his continued support.

IX. B. SPECIAL REPORTS & WORKING GROUPS

a. Community Awareness & Emergency Response

Les Sieffert, TIMET, introduced himself and indicated that he will be assuming the duties and responsibilities of Glenn Closson. He reported on the four highlights of the active committee: updating their emergency response plan; working on the CAER radios to get those out to the community and, also, the radio tracks; coordinating with Jeremy Hines in Henderson for emergency response drills starting later on in March; and updating their incident command structure at their facility, including Yuri Graves' offer for ICS-300 and 400 training for incident command folks. He added that they're trying to expand the CAER network. The Chair congratulated him on his new position.

b. Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

Brian Scroggins introduced himself and gave a bit of his background. He stated that he's the emergency manager on a voluntary basis for the LDS church in Nevada, that they have access to supplies and lots of volunteers, and that the LDS church has a memorandum of understanding with Red Cross to have chapels serve as shelters, if need be. He looks forward to working with the committee. The Chair commented on the shelters opened up during the avalanche, one from the City of Las Vegas and the Red Cross, the other an LDS chapel.

c. Metropolitan Medical Response Update (MMRS)

Misty Richardson indicated that she checked to see if Chris Sproule had a report, but he hasn't responded.

d. Nuclear Waste Division Yucca Mountain Update

The Chair noted that Phil Klevorick isn't here today.

e. State Emergency Response Commission

Richard Brenner handed this item off to Stephanie Parker, since she's here today. Ms. Parker introduced herself, encouraged anyone wanting information to come to the afternoon training today. She described what the SERC does and what its responsibilities are. She indicated that even though she is a one-person office right now, she is available to answer question anytime. Richard Brenner mentioned that there are two co-chairs for this commission, that he is one co-chair, that the other co-chair is usually the State Fire Marshall but that now it's going to be the head of emergency management for the state, so Caleb Cage has been appointed.

f. Alternate Communications Working Group

Dimitri Theodorou reported that they had two presentations on radio over IP with push-to-talk interoperability and communication solutions for Motorola Wave 5000 and AT&T push-to-talk communications platforms. He went on to describe both devices and their capabilities. He described some networks demonstrations, to let him know if you're interested in signing up for the demo. Carlito Rayos mentioned that FAO and North Las Vegas are going to be purchasing licensing for LexRay, that product that leverages existing technology and taps into closed caption, REOC, and encouraged others to look into it. Others present noted that they entities are also getting LexRay.

g. ARES/RACES Update

Bill Smith was not present. Misty Richardson reported on his behalf that on March 11th they will be holding ARES/RACES small version of the communication radio at Frank Kestolic's home, and all AREA/RACES members are invited to attend.

h. Southern Nevada Emergency Managers Group

Angela Palombaro reported that stated that MGM Resorts NV hosted the Southern Nevada Emergency Managers Group meeting. She described the takeaways from that: the LVCVA is looking to find out how much space is available to stand up something for folks to go in a disaster; Irene Navis did a great education on how the grant funding works in the county; Henderson is writing a recovery plan and is planning a city council exercise in March. She recently stood up a crisis management working group, their 10 properties on the Strip, and they had their first meeting. The Chair provided comments. Also, they're going to stand up cert training at two of their properties this year. The Chair commented that this group is \a major reason for the level of communication with the private properties and our resorts, it's been paying dividends for us in both preparedness and response.

i. Statewide Interoperability Update

Andrew Gagliardo was not present.

XI. Public Comments

- Bill Knipper, Nevada National Security Site, commented that there is an upcoming conference of the DOE Emergency Management Issue Special Interest Group (EMISIG) May 23rd, 24th and 25th at the Tuscany, that the registration fee is minimal, that they've gone back to an information-sharing mode and collaborative effort.
- Karen Taylor commented that regarding the IT conference in June, she needs everyone to RSVP their spots, get her their waiting lists, because we do have grant funding, and they'd like to open it up to our partners who want to attend.
- Carolyn Levering commented that a couple of weeks ago, in the City of Las Vegas, there was a pretty large fire that displaced 50 people. She thanked the folks and entities that helped in that team effort.
- Stephanie Parker commented that everyone should get Karen Taylor their waiting lists early so that all the money is spent and so that it doesn't impact this LEPC as far as the future requests.

- Will Reed, Nevada 2-1-1, commented that they're close to finalizing the emergency response part of their overall strategic plan and that, hopefully, by the May meeting, they'll be ready to give a presentation on their role and how that's going to look for the state of Nevada. The Chair added that that's going to fill a gap for us, so we're looking forward to that.
- Dimitri Theodorou commented that he forgot to mention earlier that the Band 14 Spectrum demo will take place June 29th and 30th, four sessions, AM and PM each day, down here in the parking lot.
- Irene Navis commented on a late entry, Assembly Joint Resolution, that doesn't have a number yet, that expresses the Legislature's opposition to the development of Yucca Mountain site as a repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.
- Richard Brenner commented that they're having an Ammonia Safety Day training program March 22nd and 23rd; he described the events each day, indicating it will be a great opportunity, and anyone interested should get in touch with him

Next LEPC meeting: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., Fire Station 18 Clark County EOC/EMS Training Room 2nd Floor, 575 E. Flamingo Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89119.

XII. Adjournment

Motion by Phil Klevorick: **Motion to adjourn.**
Seconded by Dimitri Theodorou
No discussion, motion carried.